



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
January 18, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm.

Present: Mayor: Charlie Miner; Council: Jahn Dyvik, Mike Feldmann, Gina Joyce, and Deirdre Kvale

Staff Present: City Administrator: Scott Weske; and City Clerk: Jeanette Moeller

Absent: None

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Dyvik, seconded by Feldmann, to approve the agenda as amended. Ayes: all.

OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

No one was in attendance to address the City Council during Open Correspondence.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Interview Candidates for Planning Commission Vacancy

Mayor Miner indicated that the Council would be interviewing candidates to fill a Planning Commission vacancy created by completion of the term held by former Commission member John Hughes who had not sought reappointment. The term for this vacancy will be from now through December 31, 2025.

Candidate Interview: Tim Hultmann

Mr. Hultmann introduced himself and thanked the Council for allowing him to appear before them for this opening. He gave an overview of his history and positions he has previously held in the City by serving on the City Council, the Planning Commission, and the Economic Development Authority. He stated that he is also currently a reserve officer with the Orono Police Department, and had been a past President and Vice-President of Trinity Lutheran Church. He explained that his reason for being interested in once again serving on the Planning Commission is that certain areas and issues he had been concerned with in the past have not completely been addressed yet. He shared various examples of properties throughout town that may be developed or redeveloped.

The Council interviewed Mr. Hultmann and asked questions about his vision for the City. They discussed his active term on the EDA and the vacancy this appointment could create if he is selected for the position.

Lori Goodsell

Ms. Goodsell introduced herself and expressed her admiration for Tim Hultmann and everything he has done for the City, noting that he is a good guy and a good friend. She reviewed her experience in the City with serving on the EDA for the past six years, including her involvement in the Village Design Guidelines initiative. She mentioned that she owns a chiropractic office in Plymouth and explained that she thought as a business owner, she could offer some insight about the negative

impact the Highway 12 and County Road 112 road project had on local businesses. She commented that she was also against the high density, large scale development that had been proposed by prior developers for the area because she felt it would change the town, which was another reason she had wanted to be a part of the EDA. She had allowed her term on the EDA to expire in order to give other individuals a chance to serve on the EDA. She shared her thoughts and visions for serving on the Planning Commission and mentioned that she feels a city cannot stand still, but she does feel that development needs to happen in a smart way.

The Council asked various questions of Ms. Goodsell and about her vision for what she would like to see in the City.

Discussion of Candidates for Planning Commission Appointment

The Council discussed the two candidates, their history of involvement in the City, what they felt each would bring to the Planning Commission, the learning curve of understanding the Zoning Code, and the importance of attendance at the meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

ADJOURN

Hearing no objection, Mayor Miner adjourned the meeting by general consent at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Weske
City Administrator